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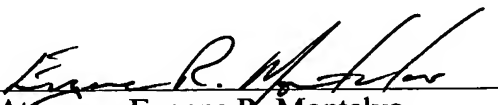
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	AC	3508577	4/28/70	R.P. Vincent, et. al	137	528	4/5/67
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	AE	3443643	5/13/69	Marvin R. Jones	175	25	12/30/66
	AF	3677353	7/18/72	Gerald S. Baker	175	25	7/15/70
	AG	3827511	8/6/74	Marvin R. Jones	175	25	12/18/72
	AH	4653597	3/31/87	Albert S. Johnson	175	25	12/5/85
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	AJ	4709900	12/1/87	Einar Dyhr	251	5	3/20/86
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	AI	6119772	9/19/00	Glen Pruet	166	81.1	1/16/98
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